

and Jamie Michael Morin, of Michigan, to be Assistant Secretary for Financial Management and Comptroller, who was introduced by Senator Conrad, and Daniel Ginsberg, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, who was introduced by Senator Leahy, both of the Department of the Air Force, all of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION BUDGET

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2010 for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, after receiving testimony from Jane Lubchenco, Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere and Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce.

NORTH KOREA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine certain North Korea issues, after receiving testimony from Stephen Bosworth, Special Representative for North Korea Policy, Department of State; Evan J.R. Revere, The Korea Society, New York, New York; Leon V. Signal, Social Science Research Council Northeast Asia Cooperative Security Project, Brooklyn, New York; and Victor D. Cha, Georgetown University, and Nancy Lindborg, Mercy Corps, both of Washington, D.C.

THE WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ENHANCEMENT ACT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine S. 372, to amend chapter 23 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the disclosures of information protected from prohibited personnel practices, require a statement in nondisclosure policies, forms, and agreements that such policies, forms, and agreements conform with certain disclosure protections, provide certain authority for the Special Counsel, after receiving testimony from Rajesh De, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice; and William L. Bransford, Senior Executives Association, Danielle Brian, Project on Government Oversight, Thomas Devine, Government Accountability Project, and Robert Vaughn, American University Washington College of Law, all of Washington, D.C.

HEALTH CARE

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine health care, after receiving testimony from Sandy Praeger, Kansas Insurance Commissioner, Topeka; Margaret Flowers, Physicians for a National Health Program, and Samantha Rosman, American Medical Association, both of Chicago, Illinois; Ron Williams, Aetna Inc., Hartford, Connecticut; Randel Johnson, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, William Dennis, National Federation of Independent Business, Mary Andrus, Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities, Ray Scheppach, National Governors' Association, Gerald Shea, AFL-CIO, Dennis Rivera, Service Employees International Union (SEIU), and Scott Gottlieb, American Enterprise Institute; Katherine Baicker, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, Massachusetts; Jonathan Gruber, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Department of Economics, Cambridge; Janet Trautwein, National Association of Health Underwriters, Arlington, Virginia; and Steve Burd, Safeway, Inc., Pleasanton, California.

INDIAN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM REFORM

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine reforming the Indian health care system, after receiving testimony from Jefferson Keel, National Congress of American Indians, Buford Rolin, Poarch Band of Creek Indians, on behalf of the National Indian Health Board, and Geoffrey Roth, National Council of Urban Indian Health, all of Washington, D.C.; Valerie Davidson, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Legal and Intergovernmental Affairs, Anchorage; and Paul K. Carlton, Jr., Texas A&M Health Science Center, College Station.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Gerard E. Lynch, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, and Mary L. Smith, of Illinois, to be Assistant Attorney General, Tax Division, Department of Justice.

NATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs concluded a hearing to examine the National Criminal Justice Act of 2009, after receiving testimony from Chief William J. Bratton, Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles, California; Pat Nolan, Prison Fellowship, Lansdowne, Virginia; Charles J. Ogletree, Jr., Harvard Law School Charles Hamilton Houston Institute for Race and Justice, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Brian W. Walsh, The Heritage Foundation, Washington, D.C.